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## NORTHERN SECURITIES CASE.

THE MOST IMPORTANT opinion handed down by a lesser United States court in years is the decision of the circuit court of appeals in the Northern Securities company case. In effect the court orders the dissolution of the company because "the purpose for which it was created is illegal." The opinion is interesting throughout, explaining as it does, many points that have long been in dispute.

The most vital of all the points, however, is the decision that no constitutional amendment is necessary to give congress the power to regulate the trusts. The court says specifically that, under the constitution as it stands today, congress has the power to say that no contract or combination shall be legal which is in restraint of interstate trade or the natural workings of the law of competition. This is the contention set up by the Democrats in congress and, although the Republican members, Republican stump speakers and the opposition generally, derided it, the courts have approved the Democratic position.

The case of the Northern Securities company was an ideal one for the test, from the standpoint of the government. The issue could not have been more sharply drawn. In the northwest are two great railroads, the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern. In the meaning of the statutes they are parallel and competing lines. Finding that it would be to their mutual advantage to consolidate, the men in control of these systems set to work to devise a method.

At the outset they encountered the laws of the states through which the roads run. Those laws provide that combinations, such as the one proposed, are unlawful. Then began the process of "whipping the devil around the stump." The Northern Securities company was organized. The only object of this corporation was to act as a holding company. That is, it was to hold a majority of the stock of both roads and vote it for their mutual benefit. To all intents and purposes this would bring the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific under one management.

The consolidation was effected just as surely as though the Great Northern had purchased the Northern Pacific or vice versa. The United States filed a suit in the most convenient court of original jurisdiction, the district court of the United States at St. Paul. Later, in order to expedite matters, a special act of congress, giving the United States circuit court of appeals original jurisdiction, was passed. The first opinion, therefore, comes from the second highest court in the land.

What the final outcome of the case will be no one can say with positiveness. It has been announced that an appeal will be perfected at once, but it is practically certain that the supreme court will not hand down an opinion before next winter. In the meanwhile, however, the moral effect of the decision will be tremendous. Already it has been noted in the break in Northern Securities company stock and it would not be surprising if stocks in other combinations now operating in restraint of trade and competition suffered sharp declines.

## SUBMARINE VESSELS.

THE SUCCESSFUL TEST of a Holland submarine torpedo boat off the Pacific coast a few days since has revived interest in that wonderful invention. Naval experts generally are now of the opinion that submarine vessels of the Holland type are thoroughly practicable and that their general use will tend to revolutionize naval warfare. Especially valuable will submarine boats be as coast defense auxiliaries.

Hostile fleets will be far less likely to approach an enemy's coast line if they knew that the enemy is well supplied with submarine boats that may at any moment blow gaping holes in their hulls. With a fleet of submarine vessels it would be possible to meet an enemy a hundred miles or so from land and cripple or destroy its ships of battle before they could fire a gun.

In fact, there is nothing about a submarine boat to fire at. Under normal conditions only a small speck of it shows above the surface of the water and in times of emergency this speck drops out of sight for hours at a time. The moral effect of the torpedo boat, therefore, is one of the strongest counts in its favor. The anxiety it will cause to warring navies will be tremendous.

Here are the prerequisites of a submarine boat as laid down by a former commander in the United States navy, F. M. Barker, who ranks as an expert. He says that the boat should first be able to steer a course and perform the necessary operations; it must have speed and a sufficient supply of air to support life for several hours, or the means of purifying the air.

Of course, the boat must be big enough to carry the necessary machinery and crew; it must be able to rise and fall either when stationary or at speed, the crew must be able to enter and leave the boat without external aid, the danger of collapse must be guarded against, and the boat must be properly armed in order to be certain to sink the enemy. It is claimed that all of these requirements and more are completely met by the Holland boat.

If the claims are well founded, the United States should lose no time in adding a number of them to her navy. England, France and other powers are now experimenting with submarines, France leading all the rest. Only a short time ago, says Commander Barker in a letter to the Forum for April, a mimic attack was made on a squadron of the French navy by a submarine flotilla.

First a quantity of bottles was floated out of the harbor on the ebb tide in order to confuse the warships, whose commanders were looking for the mirrors used by submarine boats to steer by. The ruse was so successful that every vessel was technically destroyed before a shot could be fired.

## PENNSYLVANIA'S POOR PAPERS.

THE NEWSPAPERS of Pennsylvania must have been saying a good many unpleasant things about the legislature of that state. Almost from the beginning of the session the lawmakers have been trying to pass measures calculated to hurt the newspapers. First came the Pusey bill, which provided that no individual should be caricatured in a representation of a bird or beast. This proposition, after some debate, was slain.

The latest is a bill requiring all newspapers to print in every issue on the editorial page the names of the owner, publisher and managing editor, and if owned by a corporation, the names of the officers. When civil actions are brought against newspapers it is only necessary for the plaintiff to show that the owner, editor or managing editor was negligent in procuring the matter contained in the publication complained of, when compensatory damages will be awarded for injuries to business or reputation, as well as damages for mental distress.

A further provision is to the effect when published matter is shown to be libelous, and that it has been given special prominence in headlines, pictures or cartoons, the jury shall have the right to award punitive damages. The bill has already passed the senate and the indications are that it will receive a majority in the house. A more scandalously unfair law could hardly be conceived.

If enacted it will make it possible for unscrupulous individuals to join hands in mulcting newspapers of heavy damages. The owner of a newspaper rarely comes in direct contact with the newspapers. That sort of work is done by reporters, who are first responsible to the city editor, the latter in turn being responsible to the managing editor and the managing editor to the owner. Rarely does the owner of a great newspaper see an item until the paper has been published.

The element of malice should enter into a libelous publication before punitive damages should be awarded. There are cases where men are entitled to compensatory damages for false statements published about them, but it is very rarely that publications are animated by malice and almost invariably the newspaper is willing to make every possible reparation.

The trouble in Pennsylvania seems to be that the gang in control is afraid of the newspapers. It hopes, by the passage of this law, to prevent them from publishing a great many things which, if untrue, would be libelous, but which are, unfortunately for the gang, not libelous because they are true.

A mass meeting of citizens of Binghamton, N. Y., has adopted resolutions commending the president for his course in holding the door of opportunity open to the negro office seeker. Wonder what those Binghamton people would say if the president should name a negro for postmaster of their village? Wouldn't there be something doing with startling promptitude?

Governor Murphy of New Jersey, the man who insists that trusts are the most beneficent institutions under heaven, has made another kind of ass of himself. He has vetoed the anti-cigarette bill passed by the legislature of that state, and in his message on the subject states that cigarettes do not injure boys under 16 years of age.

It is stated that Mrs. Flagler, wife of the oil millionaire who secured the passage of a bill through the Florida legislature for the special purpose of divorcing her on the ground of insanity, is recovering her reason. She will doubtless be very much pleased when she learns that she is free from her husband.

The fact that under the Elkins bill freight agents will not be permitted to load wool for their patrons will not prevent them from pulling wool over each other's eyes.

Morgan, J. P., does not concur in the opinion handed down by Thayer, J., which will doubtless make Justice Thayer feel very badly indeed.

## Easter Footwear

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## SOCIETY.

The change in the weather man's plans will make no change in those of the Country club management, and the opening will take place today whether the sun shines on the golf links or the rain descends. At this season tea is always served indoors anyway, and the house will be most cheery and comfortable no doubt despite the unpleasantness outside.

The Commercial club has invitations out for a second musicale to be given next Wednesday evening. Those who were fortunate enough to enjoy the delightful entertainment provided at the last will be glad to learn that there is to be a series of the events. The music committee which has the matter in charge consists of Mr. McClellan, Leonard M. Bailey, Nephel Clayton, Rudolph J. Decker and Richard W. Keyes.

Mrs. C. Ira Tuttle and Mrs. Cangle were the hostesses at a very pretty appointed Easter luncheon given yesterday. The decorations were all of Easter lilies, the table being done entirely in white and green. Twelve guests were present.

Mrs. James Glendinning and Miss Besie Glendinning of Spokane are in the city and are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Glendinning at 419 First street.

Miss Leonard of Park Hill, Ontario, is the guest of Senne and Mrs. Kearns for the summer. Miss Leonard is a cousin of Senator Kearns.

Mrs. T. A. Baldwin, who has been visiting Mrs. T. A. Baldwin, Jr., left Thursday for Chickamauga Park, where Colonel Baldwin will be made a brigadier general today.

Roscoe Breeden left last evening for a month's vacation in the east. After spending some time in Chicago on business he will visit relatives in Kentucky.

Mrs. Moses Christensen of Boise is in the city spending a short time with relatives. She will leave for her home tomorrow.

The Browning section of the Ladies' Literary club meets at 1 o'clock today at the home of Mrs. William C. Jennings on Second and U streets.

Mrs. E. N. Botsford and daughter Josephine will return from Chicago, where Miss Botsford has been studying music and harmony at the Chicago Musical college under Professor Rosenfield and Campbell Tipton.

One of the most enjoyable events of the week was the housewarming of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Oblad at their new home on Lake street last Sunday evening. The guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. Oblad, assisted by Mrs. John Arup. The evening was pleasantly spent at cards and various other games. A delightful supper was served at 11 p. m. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Lambert, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Larsen, Mr. and Mrs. William Hocking, Mr. and Mrs. William F. Langebucker, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carney, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Brain, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hessler, Mr. and Mrs. William Oblad, Mr. and Mrs. John Arup, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Shoner, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Oblad, Misses E. L. Pascoe, Lizzie Oblad, Messrs. W. C. Shoup, Arthur Barber, Alex Oblad and Otto Oblad.

I. M. Solomon and wife arrived here yesterday from New York City and are domiciled at the Cohen mansion, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cohen. Mr. Solomon is here in the interest of the wool business for his firm of Henry Marx & Co. and will remain here several months.

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**Easter Novelties.** Delayed freight brings us an extraordinary assortment of Easter Novelties, consisting of Chickens, Ducks, Rabbits, Eggs, Bonbon Boxes, Postal Cards and innumerable dainties with which to delight the children. Being the last day before Easter, the entire line will be disposed of at greatly reduced prices.

The department for perfumery, soap and stationery is under the direction of an expert who made selections from the leading reputable manufactories of the world. A few of the higher grades from time to time have found their way to Salt Lake, but we have put in complete lines. We intend to sell these goods at close prices, entirely within the reach of all people.

**Gowns and Hats Tomorrow.** There may be a bit of worldliness in the motive prompting the wish that the morrow will dawn bright and beautiful. Then there will be seen tripping to the different edifices of worship throngs of lovely women, attired in fashionable gowns and hats—raiment from our store. Our millinery department set the styles this spring—a fact acknowledged by women throughout the city. In stylish gowns, beautiful fabrics, our store again will be the most largely represented of all concerns among the happy, animated churchgoers tomorrow.

**Buttons.** Said a well-known teacher in the public schools, who delights in shopping: "I went to all the big stores for buttons, and they are far cheaper at Keith-O'Brien company's—and in bigger assortments." In the school room she probably would have said "larger assortments," but she was right anyway. Buttons have advanced 33 1/3 per cent, but we would have been cheaper in price anyway. Pearl buttons, trimming buttons, all sizes, all shapes, and at prices which make intelligent people talk.

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